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FOR BRZEZINSKI

FOLLOWING REPEAT PARIS 24720 ACTION SECSTATE 25 AUG 77

QUOTE

S E C R E T PARIS 24720

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-3

TAGS: US, UR, SF

SUBJ: SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR PROBLEM

REF. STATE 202714

1. ON AUGUST 25, WE INFORMED SOUTOU OF THE US ORAL  
STATEMENT CONTAINED REFTEL.

2. SOUTOU SAID THAT INSTRUCTIONS HAD BEEN SENT TO THE  
FRENCH CHARGE IN MOSCOW LAST WEEKEND TO GIVE THE  
FRENCH REPLY TO THE ORIGINAL SOVIET DEMARCHE. WHILE  
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THE FRENCH EMBASSY HAD ACTED ON MONDAY, AUGUST 22,  
THE FRENCH REPLY DID NOT OF COURSE TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE  
ASSURANCES THE US RECEIVED FROM VORSTER. IT RECALLED  
THE EARLIER FRENCH POSITION OF GRAVE CONCERN SHOULD  
THE REPORTS OF SOUTH AFRICAN INTENTION TO DEVELOP A  
NUCLEAR CAPABILITY PROVE TO BE TRUE, REFERRED TO THE  
FRENCH APPROACH TO THE SAG, ETC. IN ADDITION, THE

FRENCH REPLY MENTIONED FRANCE'S OPPOSITION TO APARTHEID.  
IT ALSO EXPRESSED FRENCH DISPLEASURE AT UNJUSTIFIED  
CRITICISMS OF FRANCE IN THE SOVIET PRESS.  
HARTMAN.  
UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER".

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## Message Attributes

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